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1. THE SECRETARY HAS DECIDED TO RESUME NORMAL RELATIONS WITH GHANA. THIS SHOULD BE DONE IN A GRADUAL AND DELIBERATE FASHION. THEREFORE, YOU MAY RESUME NORMAL DIPLOMATIC CONTACTS AS THE SITUATION DICTATES, AND DISCUSSIONS WITH THE GOG ON THE AID PROGRAMS CURRENTLY SUSPENDED MAY RECOMMENCE IN ORDER TO MEET THE DEADLINES FOR OBLIGATION OF FUNDS.

2. WE ARE RESUMING NORMAL RELATIONS WITH GHANA BECAUSE WE BELIEVE THE GOG RECOGNIZES THE NECESSITY OF REPAIRING THE BILATERAL RELATIONS STRAINED BY THE CANCELLATION OF THE SECRETARY'S VISIT, AND BECAUSE WE BELIEVE THAT THE PRINCIPAL

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EFFECT OF CONTINUED SUSPENSION OF ACTION ON AID PROGRAMS

WOULD BE FELT BY GHANA'S SMALL FARMERS AND RURAL POOR.

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